

**THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS
RESOLUTION 61-20**

**A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL POLICE EQUIPMENT INTO
2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE, 2014 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY AND
2016 POLICE INTERCEPTOR SEDAN USING LOCAL IMPACT GRANT FUNDS**

Introduced by: Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, § 33-63(f) authorizes the Town to forego the normal procurement process through cooperative purchasing in certain cases where another government entity has already made a competitive purchase of said item and therefore the Mayor and Council may, without soliciting bids, purchase the item in question at the bid price from the successful bidder, if the Mayor and Council determines that the bid price is competitive, and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, § 33-63(g) further authorizes the Mayor and Council by a two-thirds vote to waive the competitive bidding requirements of said Charter section for good cause shown for sole source procurements of unique products and services, and that written findings as to the basis of such waiver shall be placed in the journal of the Council's proceedings, and

WHEREAS, the Town Ordinance Code, § 20.4(a)(6) states that upon written findings entered the journal, the Mayor and Council may exempt the purchase of a good or service from competitive selection processes when the purchase qualifies as a sole source procurement as a result of several circumstances including: One vendor is the only one qualified or eligible or is quite obviously the most qualified or eligible to provide the good or service or the procurement is of such a specialized nature or related to a specific geographic location that only a single source, by virtue of experience, expertise, proximity, or ownership of intellectual property rights, and could most satisfactorily provide the good or service, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Forest Heights has received funding through the State of Maryland Video Lottery Terminal program by way of a local impact grant, and has designated funds to start a vehicle replacement program for the Police Department and purchase slightly used vehicles without the involvement of a third party, and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation and request from the Police Chief to install necessary equipment into 2014 Ford Police Interceptor, 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility, and 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe from line item **7074**, and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has selected to use Dana Public Safety to purchase and install all equipment describe in attached Exhibit A, and

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WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified that the funds are available under line item 7074 and it has been verified that the Dana Public Safety Inc. is a unique provider has made government sales, and the procurement is for items of a specialized nature in accordance with Section 20.4(a)(6) of the Ordinance Code for the Town of Forest Heights, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland hereby authorize the Chief of Police to purchase and install equipment for the police vehicles for a price of 31,874.61, and

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.
PASSED this day of November 18, 2020.

ATTEST:

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

By

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad, Mayor

SIGNATURE ON FILE

By:

Calvin Washington, Council President

ROLL CALL VOTE

MUHAMMAD

KENNEDY II

WASHINGTON

BARNES

HINES

NOBLE

ATKINSON

YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT

Yea
Yea
Yea
Yea
Yea
Yea
Yea

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify, as the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, that on the 18, day of November 2020 with 7 Aye votes and 0 Nay, constituting at least a four (4) vote majority, the aforesaid Resolution 61-20 passed.

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

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